

WAYS TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE

Great Futures Start With You











CLUB MEMBERSHIP OPENS THE DOOR TO A GREAT FUTURE.

At Boys & Girls Clubs, we know there is no simple answer to success. It takes a community of like-minded people, a safe environment, high-quality programs, and unique experiences to enable our youth to reach great futures.

A Boys & Girls Club membership is so much more than you may realize – Club membership gives kids a safe place to learn, grow, and thrive. Boys & Girls Clubs of Central Iowa Club membership provides a child with:

- Environments that are safe, positive and inclusive.
- Relationships in which youth forge supportive, meaningful, and healthy connections with adults and peers.
- Experiences that build upon their strengths, foster a sense of belonging and purpose, and provide opportunities to lead and be heard.
- Life-enhancing programs that help youth advance in three key outcome areas: Academic Success, Good Character and Leadership, and Healthy Lifestyles.

Clubs are much more than a place to be after school and over the summer. It's a place for youth to dance, express themselves, play sports, receive daily healthy meals and snacks, and get help solving a math problem or writing a resume. A place to learn, grow, lead, and go further than they ever imagined.

DID YOU KNOW?

Every dollar invested in Boys & Girls Clubs of Central Iowa returns \$11.47 in future earnings and cost-savings to our Des Moines community.

88%

CLUB MEMBERS ARE ON TRACK TO GRADUATE COMPARED TO DES MOINES PUBLIC SCHOOLS AT 75%

100%

11TH AND 12TH GRADE MEMBERS KNOW WHAT EDUCATION OR TRAINING THEY WILL NEED FOR THE CAREER THEY WANT

80%

CLUB MEMBERS
NATIONWIDE SAID CLUB HAD
A POSITIVE IMPACT ON
THEIR ATTITUDE TOWARDS
HEALTH AND FITNESS

GIVING CLUBS

Consider opening the door to Club membership for youth right here in our community by joining a Giving Club. Thanks to our Giving Club donors, we can provide Club memberships to the young people who truly need us most.

INSPIRING LEADERS | \$500+

Sponsors meals & snacks for one Club member for the entire year through annual gifts of \$500 or more.

Providing adequate access to nutritious foods is critically important. At BGCCI, 100% of Club members qualify for free or reduced lunch. Youth facing food insecurity leads to other challenges: poor mental and overall health, increased school absences, and increased behavioral problems. In conjunction with school provided meals, Club members receive three meals a day, including a hot dinner and snacks at Club, and food for their families over the weekend.

CREATING HOPE | \$1,000+

Sponsors field trip opportunities & transportation for one Club member for the entire year through annual gifts of \$1,000 or more.

In addition to providing safe transportation to Club for students who need it, Club members have access to a host of community immersion experiences throughout the year. Trips to Iowa colleges, area zoos, parks, corporate partners and community centers like the Science Center and Botanical Center are all part of the Club experience.

BUILDING FUTURES | \$2,500+

Sponsors one child's Club experience for the entire year through annual gifts of \$2,500 or more.

A Club membership opens the door to a great future for a deserving young person in our community. Every day when school is out, Club is open to provide a safe, supportive place for the youth. Caring staff mentors, meals, and structured programming to build academic success, healthy lifestyles, and good character are the vital services we can provide.

ENHANCING LIVES | \$10,000+

Sponsors the Club experience for at least four children for the entire year through annual gifts of \$10,000 or more.

BREAKING BARRIERS | \$25,000+

Sponsors the Club experience for at least 10 children for the entire year through annual gifts of \$25,000 or more.

Each Club membership we can provide removes barriers to success, creates opportunities, and ultimately paves the way for young people to break generational cycles of poverty and trauma. Club membership is life-changing for the youth we serve.

HOW TO GIVE

DONATE BY CHECK, PHONE OR WEB *Make a one-time gift today.*

MONTHLY GIVING - CLUB BLUE

By setting up a regularly scheduled gift of your choosing, Boys & Girls Clubs of Central lowa and our members can count on support being there when it is needed the most, and you don't have to worry about any more checks or donation forms. Even a small amount given on a regular basis means that much more support for our kids every day. Your continual giving will create long-lasting change for good!

ATTEND AN EVENT

Our annual events are the perfect way to support Club kids and connect with our community. We host the following special events each year: Club Talent Show, Great Futures Golf Tournament, Old Bags, and Youth of the Year.

PLANNED GIVING

Planned giving is a highly personal way to invest in the future. By developing an estate plan with your financial advisor or attorney, you can reduce the overall tax burden of your estate while providing a lasting legacy for youth in our community. A planned gift may be in the form of cash, securities, or property and can be made through a bequest, charitable gift annuities, retirement assets, or trusts.

IN-KIND DONATIONS

We accept donations of new clothing items, arts & crafts supplies, games, books, sporting equipment, and more.

VOLUNTEER

Volunteers make a positive difference in the lives of our youth every day. Individual volunteers can lend a hand to help facilitate programs and activities that enrich the lives of our Club members.

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